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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Gerard HOTIER et al.

Examiner: Ivars C. Cintins

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Group Art Unit: 1724

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Title: SYSTEM FOR INJECTING A DIVERSIFIED FLUID IN A SIMULATED  
MOVING BED SEPARATION PROCESS

**REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

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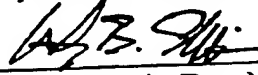
In response to the Office action dated November 19, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with this response or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-3402.

Respectfully submitted,



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